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In re Application of:
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON NOVEMBER 13, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 13, 2003, please enter this response and consider the amended claims in the application for reasons discussed below. Applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for reply to the Office action dated November 13, 2003 for 1 month from February 13, 2004 to March 13, 2004. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AVAN/000847, \$110.00 for a one month extension of time, and for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes. Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

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